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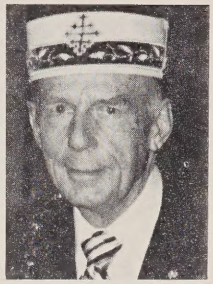

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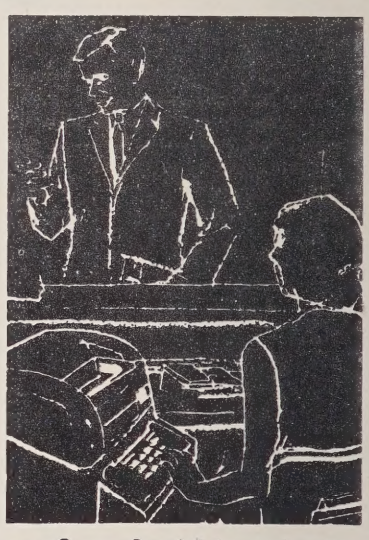

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SECRETARY'S PAGE

R. L. PUGH, 33°

"The 1774 Reunion" is now a matter of history. It was a wonderful three days, reflected not only in the large number of candidates, but also in the tremendous number of our members who registered for the event. As usual, the degree teams performed admirably and it continues to be a source of admiration that our Brethren should exhibit such a high degree of dramatic skill. Our Brethren who perform so beautifully on the stage in the portrayal of the degrees have been long noted for their record of perfection in the exemplification of the degrees. Their performance during the three days of this Reunion served to intensify the inspiration which the candidates received during the Reunion.

The Tuesday evening banquet hour was given over to the awarding of the medals which had been won by the Brethren during the previous Reunion season. These Brethren received the beautiful Service Award Medals, suspended from a lovely ribbon, thus making a most attractive award. Many of these were worn by the Brethren during the Reunion. There was a large number of Brethren also who received the 32° jewelled cap for the service they had rendered. This number continues to grow each Reunion and it is always indicative of the wonderful and enthusiastic work the Brethren are doing for the Craft. One of the highlights of this banquet hour was the recognition of the names of three of our Brethren who were entitled to receive the Fifty Year Veteran Award. This award is indicated not only by an attesting certificate, but also by a beautiful light blue cap. Our number of blue caps is increasing each Reunion and it is always good to see these Brethren attending our Reunions and participating in the activities. Those who have been members for fifty years and who are eligible for this award are as follows:

Marcus G. Carpenter, 32°, K.C.C.H. of Durham, N. C.
Russell H. Johnson, 32°, of Conway, N. C.
James W. Wiggins, Jr., 32°, of Wilson, N. C.

On Wednesday evening the Brethren were privileged to listen to an address by our distinguished Sovereign Grand Inspector General, Ill. Brother James Guy Johnston, 33°, who challenged them to continue the wonderful work they had been doing. Incidentally, our Inspector General now occupies the position of Grand Orator in the Supreme Council Ceremonial Cast. He has changed his place of residence, moving from Charlotte where he had lived for so many years. His new address is Walnut Hill Farm, Rt. 1, Box 493-J, Newton, N. C. 28658

Thus the "1774 Reunion" is wrapped up in the pages of history, and we look forward to the future. Our Spring Reunion will be held April 8, 9 and 10 and we are counting on the members of this "1774 Reunion" class to make every effort to bring at least one candidate with them. They should be, and no doubt are, the best salesmen that we have at this particular time and we know that we can count on them to make good on their promises to have a candidate to represent them in our next Reunion.

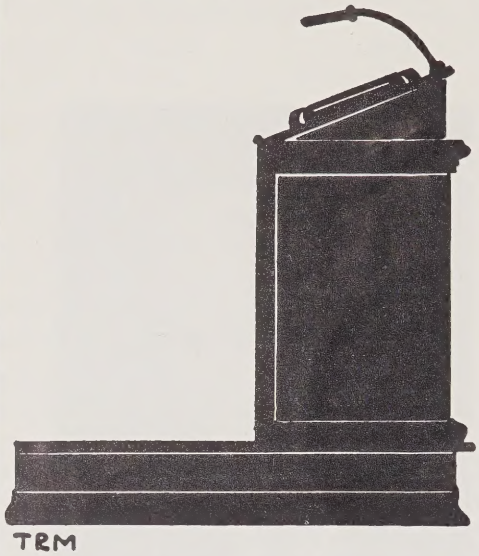
Please don't forget our annual Christmas Open House. It will be observed in the Temple on Sunday afternoon, December 15th, beginning at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon and continuing until 6:30 P.M. The Temple is always beautifully decorated for this occasion and you will be thrilled with the Christmas motif as you visit your Temple on this occasion. Bring your family with you because Santa Claus has already promised to make his appearance between 4:30 and 5:30 o'clock. Santa Claus never ceases to thrill our people who have assembled at that time. Always there are many children who enjoy this occasion.

In the meantime, all of us in the office extend to you the wish that your Christmas will be filled with such moments of enjoyment and inner peace as will suit your individual need, together with an expression of hope for a Prosperous and Successful New Year.

Sincerely,

R. L. Pugh

Robert L. Pugh, 33°
Secretary



From The Classroom

BY EDWARD P. BLAIR, 33° CLASS LECTURER

SERVICE

A famous Scottish Minister dreamed that he had died and was transported to Heaven's gates. He stood outside waiting to be admitted, when St. Peter appeared and asked him what he was doing there. The great Man of God told how he had been a good preacher for thirty years. That he had served on every committee in his little town. He had written several books. St. Peter listened carefully but seemed unimpressed. The preacher continued, "each Sunday I have given two full Sermons to different congregations." St. Peter interrupted, "Is that all you have done?" The Minister said, "there is one thing more but it is not important," "every day I would feed the birds in the Public Square." The answer was fine, "Come right in, you are the man we have been waiting for." It is not the great deeds which we do before the Public eyes in which we can always serve God. Far more often the small unsung deeds, that which as the Master said, "we do for the least of these my Brethren." These are the acid test of real christian discipleship.

There is a theme running through all of the Masonic Degrees, which seem to suggest and in some instance prove that there is a *Divinity* within each of us. *The Philosophy of the Scottish Rite has its greatest value in the urge created within each of us to find or discover that Divinity. Thus, He enabled us to pattern our lives in accordance with the moral and spiritual ideals which are fitted for a sincere seeker.*

In seeking to find God within us, we start, by creating in our minds an image of God. *It is this effort within the Scottish Rite* that causes one to feel within, *a gentle lift by the Supreme Architect.*

Herein, lies our greatest hope, that of educating its' members towards the Dignity of man and the avenues of service that are found in an individual. Thus, the Scottish Rite, though not a religion, brings its advocates a dramatic and stirring journey to what God is? and where it is found? and what the results are? for each human soul who would dare to ascend the golden stairs.

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All Master Masons and their families are extended a cordial invitation to visit us at any time during the Open House observance. The Temple will be decorated with the Christmas theme and refreshments will be served. Come and spend a few moments of quiet Christmas relaxation with us. Santa Claus will visit us in the latter part of the afternoon.

CHRISTMAS THOUGHTS

CHRISTMAS is a celebration; and celebration is instinct in the heart. With gift and feast, with scarlet ribbon and fresh green bough, with merriment and the sound of music, we commend the day - oasis in the long, long landscape of the commonplace. Through how many centuries, through how many threatening circumstances, has Christmas been celebrated since that cry came ringing down the ages, "Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

Christmas is celebration, but the traditions that cluster sweetly around the day have significance only if they translate the heart's intention - the yearning of the human spirit to compass and express faith and hope and love. Without this intention, the gift is bare, and the celebration a touch of tinsle, and the time without meaning. As these attributes, exemplifying the divine spark in mankind, informed the first Christmas and have survived the onslaughts of relentless time, so do they shine untarnished in this present Year of our Lord.

—Selected

Speaking in Quotes: I have yet to find the man, however exalted his station, who did not do better work and put forth greater effort under a spirit of approval than under a spirit of criticism.

—Charles Schwab

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Be such a man, and live such a life, that if every man were such as you, and every life like yours, this earth would be God's Paradise. —Phillips Brooks

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Let thy speech be better than silence, or be silent.—Dionysius the Elder

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Originality is nothing but judicious imitation. The most original writers borrowed one from the other. The instruction we find in books is like fire. We fetch it from our neighbor's, kindle it at home, communicate it to others, and it becomes the property of all.—Voltaire

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Speaking With the Ladies: A friend of ours says she's not satisfied with just making ends meet; she likes to have enough left over to tie a little bow.

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With all the confidence in the world, the would-be Romeo pulled up beside a cute little secretary in his big, beautiful new car.

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Sticking his head out the window, he announced: "I'm going south."

"How wonderful," the miss replied, "Bring me back an orange."

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"What do you give a man who has everything?" the pretty teen-ager asked her mother.

"Encouragement, dear," she replied.

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"A man is responsible for the good name of his family," said the lecturer grandly. "Is there a man among us who

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would let his wife be slandered and not rise to her defense?"

One meek little fellow in the back of the room stood up.

"What's this?" exclaimed the speaker. "You sir - would you permit your wife to be slandered and not protest?"

"Oh," apologized the little fellow, resuming his seat, "I thought you said 'slaughtered.' "

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Then there was the man who wanted to get something for his wife, but no one would start the bidding.

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A henpecked husband was heard to remark after his third Martina, "Give my wife an inch and she thinks she's a ruler!"

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Wishing to surprise her husband with a new wig she had just bought, the wife put it on and strolled unannounced into his office. "Do you think you could find a place in your life for a woman like me?" she asked sexily.

"Not a chance," he replied, "You remind me too much of my wife."

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Speaking in Jest: An account executive entertained some clients at a swank night club. When the check arrived, he whipped out his wallet, but then did a double take and called the waiter. "Look," he said with some embarrassment, "I find I've got just about enough cash to cover the check, but practically nothing left over for the tip."

"Don't give it a second thought, sir," said the waiter, retrieving the check. 'I'll just add up this thing again."

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And then there was the female activist who went beserk during a demonstration and attacked a karate-trained cop with a deadly weapon. She ended up a chopped libber.

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The precocious six year old, who had just completed his first day in the second grade at a progressive school, suddenly asked his parents, "What is sex?"

After an embarrassed pause, they finally managed to stammer out an explanation of the birds and bees.

Puzzled, the tot pulled a school questionnaire from his pocket and asked, "How am I going to put all that information in this little space marked 'sex'?"

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Speaking From His Book: Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes!

—Isaiah 5:21

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SOMETHING ELSE

Reynold Davenport, 33°

We had another election last month and the pollsters and the computers took most of the fun out of it again. The networks didn't even get past their opening commercials before they were projecting winners all over the place. I don't know how their minuscule samplings can lead to such highly accurate prognostications, but they surely do.

My big deal in years past was to get all set with a large pad on election night and jot down the returns as they came in. Then I could keep track of whether my favorite candidates were gaining or losing in percentages of vote totals as the night wore on. Quite often the trends you picked up this way would indicate the eventual winner. This, to me, was a lot of fun.

I remember the first year they started this computerized projecting bit. About an hour after the polls closed my score card had Joe Blow leading John Doe with sixty percent of the vote, and all of a sudden this announcer popped up and "projected" John Doe to win by eight percent. "Yeah," I thought, "and I've got gold-plated toenails." So I happily waited to see that announcer get his comeuppance. But it didn't work out that way; John Doe won - by eight percent.

Like I said, they've taken a lot of fun out of election night.

The worst thing about election night, though, is that there has to be some losers. It's a real shame that somebody has to lose each election, it makes it real sad. And you don't need any computerized projections to predict how a loser is going to look and act. Once enough of the vote is in that everybody had a pretty good idea which way the election is going somebody will haul the expected loser before a microphone and ask him how he thinks the election is going.

This is really an asinine question, and it richly deserves the variety of asinine responses it evokes. I'm still waiting for some poor loser to completely lose his cool - along with the election - and belt his tormentor in the snoot, or give him an answer that'll horrify the censors for the next five years.

But what does your poor loser do? Well, he stands up there with a smile

Reynold S. Davenport, 33°

that looks like he just swallowed some castor oil and can't forget it, and he runs on something like this: "We think the election is going about as we had anticipated. We expected our opponent to score rather heavily in these precincts that have already reported, but our strength will become apparent when the returns from West Bohunkus come in and we confidently expect the final tally to give us a clear victory. Now, if you will excuse me, I need to get back and join the celebration."

This celebration he referred to looks a whole lot like a wake, and a particularly sad one at that. From what I've seen (on TV) of loser's headquarters on election nights I believe I could have just as much fun at a weeding - or in the dentist's office.

There are some losers, though, who seem to thrive on it. I remember while I was living in Jacksonville we had a couple of fellows there who ran for every office that came along. They ran for city offices, for county offices, district offices and state offices. They never did get around to running for president, but one of 'em ran for governor once. You'd see these fellows the day after election and they'd be just as happy as anybody. Now, if it had been me, and if I had received less than one percent of the vote, I would have figured I didn't have any friends there at all and I would have sneaked out of town before the sun got up. But you have folks like that everywhere - they just seem to get a kick out of always running for something.

Like this fellow some years ago who ran for governor every four years and who never got more than a thousand votes or so. This man was at one time in the landscaping business and during one gubernatorial election he did some landscaping for a lady who protested that his final bill was much too high. "Madam," he told her, "when you consider that you've had the future governor of North Carolina working in your yard you should be happy to pay my charges."

Ah, well, two more years.

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QUEST OF THE AGES

It will not be long now until we arrive at that season which we call Christmas, and right glad we are to be there, for during the year we have known unprecedented pressures and strains!

The spirit of Christmas is the spirit of happiness. Especially does this apply to children. It is a festive time for them. Yet, the desire for happiness is a universal instinct, divinely implanted in us, and, like many other fundamental instincts, is ineradicable. So strong is it that no human power will ever be able to destroy it. The instinctive craving of human nature for peace, goodwill, and happiness will ever assert itself powerfully.

Wherever you go you will find people seeking happiness. This seeking has been the quest of the ages, and is ineradicable because it is God-given. But we need to lift this principle up to a higher plane than that of a search for mere happiness, since this search may have an entirely wrong motive. It may be prompted by personal considerations whose beginnings and endings are actuated by selfishness. Thus it has come to pass that we need to ask why we seek happiness, what is the dominant urge behind it.

The pity is that many people cherish totally wrong conceptions as to the method by which they can become happy. They think, for example, that the possession of things will achieve the desired result. The vast majority of men and

Rev. Clyde G. McCarver, 32°, K.C.C.H.

women are suffering from this delusion, for it is surely a delusion.

I believe that if a vote were taken it would be proved that, on a whole, poor people are happier than rich people, Happiness does not spring from the possession of things, but from a right relationship with the God of us all, and an equally right relationship with our fellowmen.

Man's cupboards can be filled very full and his heart can be very empty. The secret of happiness is found in condition. It resolves around a matter of correct relationship to the great and good God of us all - for if we are not rightly related to Him we shall never fully realize one of life's fundamental purposes.

I suggest that if folk who have not been able to get their usual turkey and pie will do something after the pattern of what the poet discovered:

For we must share if we would keep
The blessing from above;
Ceasing to give, we cease to have,
This is the law of love.

The door to happiness is never opened by the key of selfishness. By helping our less fortunate fellows we get the best possible kick out of life. Pockets and selfish pride you might have and go out upon an adventure of sacrificial service. In this way only will you learn the secret of happiness.

Would you be wretched? 'Tis an easy way.
Think of yourself, yourself alone, all day;
Think of your pain, your grief, your loss, your care.
All that you have to do, or feel, or bear,.
Think of your good, your pleasure, and your gain;
Think only of yourself, 'twill not be in vain.

Would you be happy? Tis an easy way,
Think of those 'round you, live for them each day;
Think of their pain, their grief, their loss, their care.
All that they have to do, or feel, or bear.
Think of their good, their pleasure and their gain.
Think of those 'round you, 'twill not be in vain.

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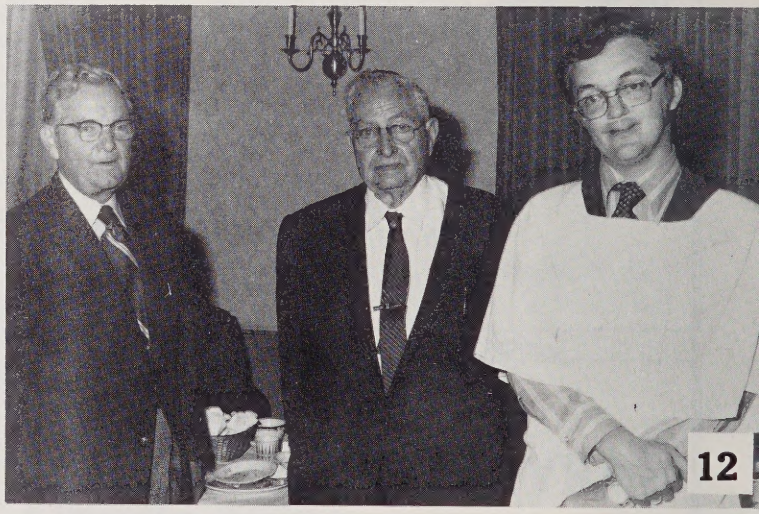
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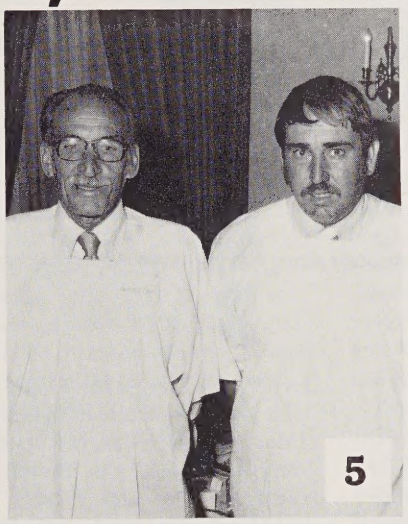
1. The Inspector General in North Carolina, James Guy Johnston, 33°, addressing the group during the banquet hour.
2. Two ladies of the wives of the candidates group assist in presenting the Service Award medals; Mrs. Addie Highsmith, left; and Mrs. Joan Miller, right.
3. Lucille Banks pins a corsage on Sarah Johnston while Jimmy Brewer smilingly approves.
4. Extending a welcome to the Inspector General's wife, Sarah Johnston.
5. Father and son combination; father, Herbert L. Oden and son, Herbert, Jr.
6. Even a wheel chair presented no difficulty; Candidate Jim Ezzell, attorney from Rocky Mount with his partner and escort, Thomas W. Henson.
7. A father with two sons and a son-in-law: left to right, Benjamin L. Parker, Jr., the father, Benjamin, Sr., 32°, son, Michael A. and son-in-law, Eric L. Kane.
8. Part of the distinguished table on Tuesday night: General

- NOVEMBER 12, 13 and 14, 1974



and Brother Lloyd Wilkerson with his wife on his right. Others shown are Vigle Boomer and Jeff Stokes with Lucille Banks and Nelson Banks on the General's left.

9. For once the Secretary is going to have a bountiful supply of ice cream as Nelson Banks happily presents it!
10. Stage Director, Shorty Kafer, Jr., presenting Bicentennial plates to the Secretary as a gift from the Stage Crew in appreciation of the Pageant "1774".
11. This is the way the medals were presented with a kiss on each cheek.
12. Three generations of Scottish Rite: Candidate son, Ernest Richardson, III; the father, Dr. Ernest Richardson,II; and the grandfather, Ernest Richardson.
13. Four ministers were in the class: left to right, Jim Bailey, Jarvis Memorial United Methodist Church, Greenville; Ernest Porter, Centenary United Methodist Church, New Bern and Charlie Moore, West New Bern Presbyterian Church. The fourth, Chaplain Charles A. Meek, was not present when the picture was taken.
14. Three Smith brothers were in the class: left to right, Dee B., Edward T. and John S.

SCOTTISH RITE CLUBS

Albert Pike Scottish Rite Club

The "Albert Pike Scottish Rite Club" held its regular meeting Thursday night, November 7, 1974, at the Masonic Temple, Plymouth, N. C. A goodly number of members were present. Much interest was shown in the fall activities and we sincerely hope this interest will bear a rich harvest.

As we near another Christmas season and, think of the turmoil, chaos, and disruption that has occurred in the past year, we wonder how these things came about.

Someone has said that there are three basic ingredients of abundant living - "a faith to live by, a person to live with, and a purpose to live for." May I suggest to you that these are Christ's Christmas gifts to His friends. Let us think for a moment of His first gift - a faith to live by. To put it another way, Jesus shows us a God Whom we may trust.

The question onced asked by Philip is an important one (Phillip saith unto him, Lord show us the Father, and it sufficeth us. Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Phillip? He that hath seen me hath seen the Father. John 14: 8,9,) for the basic problem in religion is not "Is there a God?" But rather "What is God like?" That is, behind this vast Universe, behind all creation, who is there - friend or foe, some indifferent force or a constant companion?

One of the dangers facing all of us as we think about the nature of God is to create our own view of what God is like. When He becomes simply a reflection of ourselves, our God becomes "to small." Some characters of the Bible tended to do this. Jonah, for example, thought of the Lord as being a local party leader whose power and concern was limited to a few square miles and to those persons who lived in that area.

Some of us still have difficulty thinking of the Eternal God, whose concern encompasses the whole earth and includes those with all sorts of political, economic, and social backgrounds.

Hagar, the servant of Abraham's wife, cried out in amazement. "Thou God, seest me " Here was a woman who was shocked in discovering a God big enough to be interested in a female slave.

Thomas was a person who could not imagine God as being able to conquer death, doubting the fact of Jesus Resurrection.

Some of the Pharisees also saw God out of focus, thinking of him as being a judge who laid down thousands of rules and regulations to be followed to the letter.

In like maner, many among us conceive of the Lord of the Universe as being an all-knowing policeman, an old man sitting on a throne in the sky, or one who has let us down because He did not answer our prayer in the manner we expected. When we try to imagine what God is like, we discover that we have made Him like ourselves - limited, inadequate, imperfect.

That is why Christ's Christmas present to us is so important. Christians believe that Jesus reveals the very heart of God - that He shows us the true goodness and mercy and wisdom of God. The Christian faith declares that "the word (the idea, the truth, of God) became flesh and dwelt among us". This means that words such as "God", "truth", "love" and "holiness" took on real meaning - the clearest and best meaning - through a person named Jesus.

In effect, Christianity teaches that we cannot comprehend the nature of God

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by ourselves and that God has taken the initiative and has showed us what He is like. He has done so through this creation and through prophets, priests and kings; but especially through the person of Christ. Jesus said, "He that hath seen me hath seen the Father".

Yes, Christ gives us a faith to live by in revealing a God we may trust. How do we know this to be true? Jesus' answer to that question is, "Come and see." In other words, try it for yourself and you will discover the truth.

Wilmer C. Chesson, Secretary

Beaufort County Scottish Rite Club

The New Bern Consistory No. 3, of Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, hosted the Beaufort County Scottish Rite Club to a Ladies' Night Party, Friday, October 25th.

The Banquet was served in the John A. Wilkinson School cafeteria of Belhaven.

Travis R. Williams, Jr., served as Toastmaster. Invocation was by Rev. Charles C. vonRosenberg. Harmon J. Davis, president of the Beaufort County Scottish Rite Club, welcomed the ladies and recognized the guest. President Davis also announced that the Beaufort County Scottish Rite Club would hold their regular meeting Sunday evening, November 3rd. This will be a charcoaled steak cook-out and the members should bring their ladies, steaks and utensils. The meeting will be held at the Washington Lodge on West 5th St. The charcoal will be ready at 5:30 P.M. and the meal will be served at 6 P.M. He urged all members to be present as the nominating of officers for 1975 will be held.

Robert L. Pugh, Secretary of the Consitory, explained the activities of the forthcoming Reunion to be held in the Scottish Rite Temple in New Bern on November 12 to 14th. He extended an invitation to non-members, to take the 32 degrees in Masonry at this Reunion and urged all members to attend as many of the degrees as possible.

Rev. Willis W. Wilson was the speaker of the occasion and he kept those present in laughter. He spoke seriously of the advantages of Scottish Rite, explaining that he was a Christian and secondly he was a Scottish Rite Mason.

The speaker was introduced by Edward Ray Edwards.

The Benediction was by Rev. Charles C. vonRosenberg.

Ashley G. Leggett, 32°, K.C.C.H.

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The Beaufort County Scottish Rite Club held their regular meeting Sunday, November 3rd at the Washington Masonic Lodge on W. 5th St. This was a charcoaled steak cook-out. 41 members were present. Julian Vann, Edw. Thornton and Vance Smith with their wives hosted the occasion.

President Harmon Davis presided and Julian Vann gave the invocation. A delightful fellowship hour followed the meal. Melvin and Meyer Libman invited the club to a "pig picking" at their home in Plymouth, Saturday, November 9th from 5 to 9 P.M. Their home is located about one-half block from the hospital in Plymouth. Herman Jones, President of the Beaufort County Shrine Club announced the club's annual oyster roast will be held Wednesday evening November 13th at the Robeson Beverage Plant on 3rd and Bridge Sts. He said for all

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Nobles to bring their ladies, knives, appetites and $6 per couple. After much discussion it was decided to have a covered dish supper and for each member to bring a grabbag inexpensive gift for the December meeting which will be held Sunday evening December 1st. Dr. Karl Vanhorn and Carl Miller with their wives will host the occasion.

At the business meeting the secretary's and treasurer's reports were approved. Robert Mohler and Ashley Leggett were appointed to acquire and install an outdoor light at the kitchen door of the Washington Lodge, subject to the approval of the Lodge.

Ashley Leggett made an appeal to try to acquire more candidates for the upcoming Reunion in New Bern on November 12 13 and 14.

The nominating committee presented their report and President Davis announced that further nominations and the election of officers for 1975 will be held at the December meeting.

Ashley G. Leggett, 32°, K.C.C.H.

Elizabeth City Scottish Rite Ladies' Night

The 1974 Ladies' Night Party, sponsored by the New Bern Consistory No. 3 was held in the Masonic Temple in Elizabeth City, Wednesday Night, October 30th. A delicious dinner of ham was served by Elizabeth City Chapter, O.E.S.

The banquet hall was decorated in the Halloween and Thanksgiving motif, adding to the festivities for the 266 members, prospective candidates and their ladies who were present.

Brother M. Lester Spruill, 32°, President of the Elizabeth City Scottish Rite Club served as toastmaster. Brother Wilton F. Walker, Jr., 32°, K.C.C.H., gave the invocation. The address of welcome was made by Brother W. M. Smith, 32°, K.C.C.H., with response by Brother Walter T. Kirby, 32°, K.C.C.H. Brother E. W. Paul, Jr., 32°, K.C.C.H., presented a most interesting talk to the prospective candidates and their wives on the forthcoming reunion. Brother Francis W. Clark, 33° then introduced Brother Robert L. Pugh, 33°, who made a very fine and informative talk on Scottish Rite Masonry. The benediction was given by Brother Clinton E. Bunch, 32°, K.C.C.H., closing a truly memorable evening for our ladies.

Sincerely and fraternally,
Clifton E. White, Secretary

Jones County Scottish Rite Club

The Jones County Scottish Rite Club held their annual banquet on October 31, 1974 at 7:30 P.M. About thirty brothers and sisters attended and were treated to a very tasty meal, prepared by sisters Ruby and Pat Parker.

After the meal Brother Jim Coile imparted some humorous remarks and introduced the speaker for the evening, Brother Neil Vester.

Brother Neil spoke on a subject of interest to us all but more especially directed to those Master Masons who have elected to receive the 32° at the upcom ing reunion.

After the speaker had finished the bene-

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diction was given by Brother Ray Harrison. All in all there was a lot of good fellowship and good food and I think the talk Brother Neil gave left a deep impression on everyone but more epecially the upcoming candidates.

Fraternally,

Barry W. Jones, Secretary-Treasurer

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Christmas Hands

Forget, forgive, all ye that say,
"I have seen the Star of Bethlehem",
As you proclaim, "OH! Christmas Day",
Reach out your hands to fallen men.

The false overlook, the foe forgive,
All ye that sing the Christmas song,
Reach out your hands, help men to live,
Do good to those that do you wrong.

Reach out your hands to help the weak,
Young hands touch with the old,
Cry to the world, "He came to seek
And save the poor lost soul."

Remember though, Gethsemane,
The crown, the nail-pierced hands.
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Candidates By Counties For The Preceding Five Reunions

County	Spring 1972	Fall 1972	Spring 1973	Fall 1973	Spring 1974	Fall 1974
Beaufort	4	1		3	5	2
Bertie					1	
Camden		2		1	1	3
Carteret	6	17	14	11	26	7
Chowan	1					
Craven	21	30	28	17	17	25
(Havelock)	2	8	9	8	4	1
Cumberland	8	10	11	8	13	15
Currituck	3		2			2
Dare	3		2	8	6	7
Edgecombe			3	1	8	2
Edgecombe-Nash	12	16	7	5	4	14
Franklin				1		
Gates				1	1	1
Greene	1	1				4
Halifax	2	2	7	8	7	14
Harnett				1		
Hertford	10	9	7	14	4	5
Hyde	1	2	3	2	7	
Jones	2		2	1	2	3
Lenoir	12	7	5	4	11	8
Martin	5	7	2	1	2	2
Nash	2	7	2	1	3	
Northampton	2	1	5	6	4	2
Duplin				1		
Onslow	22	26	16	20	26	21
Pamlico	2	1	1	3	2	1
Guantanamo Bay	4	2	3	2	1	
Pasquotank	4	3	7	4	8	2
Perquimans			1	3		1
Pitt	9	7	4	11	4	13
Johnston				2		
Warren			1		2	
Washington					1	1
Wilson	2	4		8		1
	140	163	142	158	170	157

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Jimmy Parker Davis ..... Dover
Winford Bland Dickens ..... Halifax
Orren Edwards Dowd, Sr. ..... Greenville
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Thomas Lee Jones ..... Snow Hill
Eric Lobb Kane ..... Trenton
William Stanley Kellum ..... New Bern
John Edward Kessling ..... Fayetteville
William Lane Kilpatrick ..... Dover
Carl Stanley Kusky, Jr. ..... Camp Lejeune
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Robert Herman Lentz ..... Raeford
Ashley Vernon Lewis ..... Aurora
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William Lester Harris, Jr.	New Bern
Harry Davis Lange	Buxton
Dan McDonald	Kinston
Clifton D. Meadows	New Bern
Joseph Melvin Moore	Greenville
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Haywood J. Dail	Swansboro
Clifton H. Edens	Sneads Ferry
Robert Preston Edwards	Chocowinity
Richard W. Elsworth	Camp Lejeune
Ray M. Hill	Dover
Loran Midgett	Buxton
Clayburn B. Murphy	Stacy
Warren T. Pugh	New Bern
Julius E. Sanders	Swansboro
Edward E. Smith	Oak City
Aaron E. Taylor	Swansboro
George W. Williams	Fayetteville

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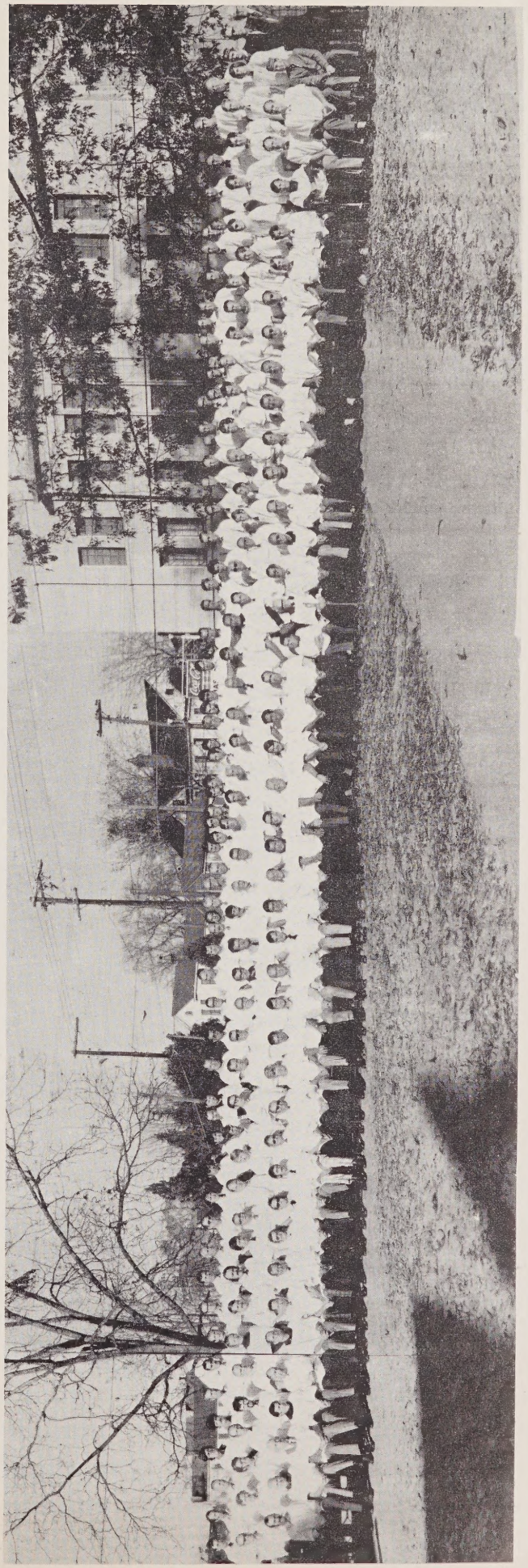

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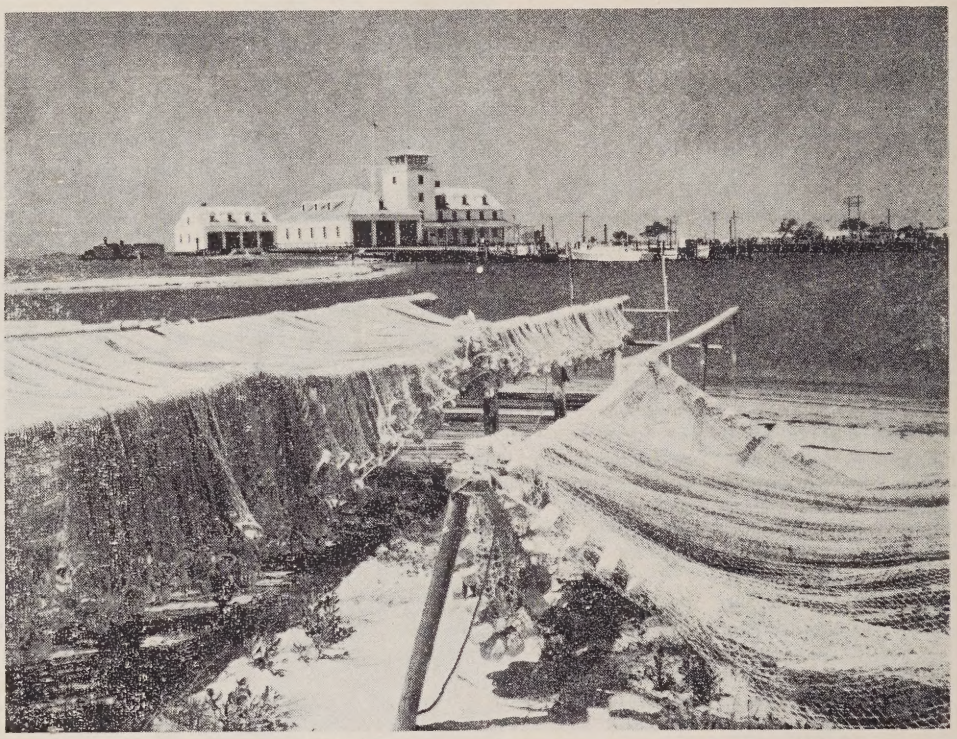

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